# Dons Will Determine Fate of Student Council

# JUNIOR EXTRA TO BE GHOUL'S



WEIRDIES - Ghoulish gals preview an unusual evening of nightmarish festivities, the Acalanes Jr. Extra. Cackling, left to right, are committee chairmen Janet Eberle, Marcia Worthing, and Linda Wadsworth. These privileged gals are managing the preparations for this gala event which is to be held tonight.

against the whistling wind; thunder publicizing the event; and Larry rolled overhead and a jagged white Sommerton, who will provide music flash darted downward, its eerie light illuminating the crumbled tombstones of a deserted graveyard. A terrible nightmare? . . . Yes, and also the gruesome setting for Acalanes' Junior Extra.

The night of April 8th couples will push their way through sticky spider webs, and step across a cavern-like entrance. Inside, it's to be a nightmare come true. Leering down from the ceiling upon spectators will be a gigantic and apalling spider. Silvery webs are likely to be hanging from every object; and a shadowy figure will loom menacingly against the wall.

If couples still have an appetite, an almost inexhaustible supply of refreshments will be served.

Master-minding this ghoulish plot is Sue Edwards, taking charge of decorations; Janet Eberle, improvising the bids; Marcia Worthing,

Storm-lashed trees were bent with refreshments; Linda Wadsworth, by spinning the discs.

Blood-curdling activities will last from 8:30 'til 11:30, and get under way the minute each victim is presented the life-like bid . . . a hairy, black spider.

"One thing you can say about this dance . . . it's different," says Millie DeLancey. ("And if anyone has any chicken wire, we need it to make our spider," confided Sue Edwards.)

Guaranteed to scare you out of your wits, if nothing else, the Junior Extra Nightmare should provide an evening of strange entertainment for

# **Trial Time** Comes to Conclusion

Acalanes will have a chance to determine the fate of the new Student Council. With the closing of the third quarter, the trial period of the reduced Student Council has been

If, on Monday, the continuation of the present system is passed, each class will keep the same four representatives they now have. If the old form is re-established, clubs and homeroom representatives will again form the student government.

Proponents of the new system point out some of the advantages of the smaller council. It's size has enabled more business to be transacted. The representation is equal, where as before it was possible to have one student represented more than one time.

Some accomplishments of the new council have also been pointed out by the proponents. The clean-up campaign was started. A recommendation for a new trampoline has been endorsed by the council. The constitution was rewritten. And, important issues can be brought directly to the student for his opinion

There is some opposition to the new government. Those looking unfavorably on the changed council say the students' interest in the government has decreased. Since there are not as many members, the publicity and knowledge of the council's activities have dropped.

Opponents dislike the new power given to the Student Body Officers. In the old form of government, they only represented about five percent of the votes. Now they represent about twenty percent. On a close issue the officers now have a greater chance of deciding what is to be

#### Moms and **Daughters** Go to Tea

'Umm, look at that formal! Oh, my brother would sure go for that bathing suit!" These are only some of the exclamations which will be heard while the girls, with their mothers in tow, attend the annual Mother-Daughter Tea and Fashion Show on May 4.

One hundred sixty-five girls will model the fruits of their labor from Clothing I and II classes. The variety of garments is wide and colorful ranging from bathing suits and play sets to the most formal of evening gowns.

#### **Banner Given** To Del Valle

Recently Acalanes presented a bright new banner to the students of Del Valle High School. Why? To show our appreciation for the use of their gym during basketball season. We turned to the use of their gym because ours is so inadequate and was unable to seat the many Acalanes fans.

Jello Bombs Acalanes fans.

The bright red banner with white letters measures 20 by five feet. It has heavy ropes across the top and down the sides so it won't sak like ours does. The banner has a few other features that ours does not, too, it is weatherproof and it won't shrink. It also differs from ours because the letters are not made of cloth but are painted on the background of red paint.

Jane Wolf and Thorny Smith presented the \$70 banner at the beginning of a Del Valle assembly. The hearty reception that the banner received frmo the 160 students showed that it was greatly appreciated.

# **Rally Dance**

Friday, March 25, 1960, was the night of the annual girl ask boy Rally Dance. The evening was a big success and everyone enjoyed the carnival theme (except maybe Bill Harris, Paul Colin and Ron Hufft who got bombarded with jello as a part of the Rally booth). At the end of the dance five tickets were drawn for prizes, which were \$3.00 gift orders at Campanas.

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# Council Ponders Clean-Up Failure

something!, echoed the cry of Stu- The main problem seems to be just dent Council members during the plain lack of student interest and

The problem in discussion, of which has been failing miserably since its beginning three weeks ago. It seems that the members of Student Council are the only ones showing some concern to the fact that our banner continues to fly upside down and backwards as our school continues to look like a pig sty.

Mrs. Glines addressed the Coun-

Don't just talk about it, let's do cil about the reasons for its failure. support.

Various plans were discussed in an effort to find an effective solucourse, was the clean-up campaign tion. It was decided that if the student body could see what a really clean campus looks like, the campaign might be more successful.

One day during Easter Vacation will be set aside as a clean up the campus day. Twenty-five or so volunteers from each class will make sort of a party out of the job with lunch and swimming afterwards.

competition will be staged with each class being assigned a specific area to keep clean.

intersection of Stanley Blvd. and Pleasant Hill Rd. to ease traffic congestion in and out of the parking lot is still being worked on.

wanted a change in the way Rally Committee was elected but no proposals were made.

# **Dance Group Girls Chosen**

New dancers coming up! Selections for next year's Dance Group and Dance Leaders have been made.

Eleven Sophomores and five Juniors were chosen for Dance Group and will take part in Musance and the Christmas programs next year. They are Charlotte Annis, Judy Betaque, Linda Bridges, Barbara Darmstead, Tonni Eberle, Janet Edwards, Jean Fleming, Jane Funk, Sue Geandrot, Margaret Haight, Ann Marshall, Barbara Moore, Penny Place, Chris Whitaker and Cheryl Woolf.

Girls were also selected to be Dance Leaders next year. They will assist Miss Hamburger during the Beginners classes. They are: Karen Bartlett, Sharon Follmer, Kris Garneau, Sandi Grant, Sherie Grant, Karen Hanson, Marcia Jansen, Vickie Kelsey, Martha Pickering, Mary Pitt, Rosemary Reagan, Joelle Rutherford, Holly Sims, Sue Stone, Vickie Tronoff, Jane Wolf, and Robin Wootten.

# Honored At Dinner

Sportsmen

Basketball players, wrestlers, and their fathers comprised the group that attended the awards dinner on Tuesday, March 29.

After putting away their steak dinners, everyone sat back to listen to coaches' speeches and the presentation of awards. First up was Coach Dan Glines.

His presentation of awards to the J. V. and Varsity basketball players was preceded by a brief summary of our winning season. After all the letters had been given out to the dribblers, Mr. Glines presented Paul Colin with the most outstanding player award.

Mr. Bert Barnett took care of the B and Freshman basketballers. After saying a few words about each player, he gave out the awards.

Finally Coach Erwin Mattson presented the awards to his winning wrestlers. Denny Toll was given an award for taking first in the county. The most outstanding award went Gras. Blueprint is in favor of spon- get behind and support the affair, to Jerry McPherson. Jim Holden received the most courageous player students would stand behind silly that the 1960 Mardi Gras will be a award.

# Then after Easter, an inter-class The hope of a traffic light at the

It was declared that all classes

# Mardi Gras Rooths

Fun, laughter, and gaiety are in store for all those who are planning to attend the "All Clubs' Mardi Gras" on April 22. This is the first year that such an affair has been held and it looks like it's going to be quite an

Rene Roloff, Acalanes Club's Commissioner, is in charge of the event and estimates that approximately 20 organizations will be participating in the function. Besides the registered clubs of the school, each class will sponsor some sort of booth or game.

The types of events that each group will present are still uncertain. Various ideas are, at present, being considered. Also being considered is a proposed dance to be held along with the Mardi Gras. The going to sell cotton candy and dance, which would be sponsored by Dance Group, would either be held in the gym or the lunch room.

Since the jello throw at the Rally Dance was such a huge success, figures drawn on cardboard. The huge success.

freshman class is proposing a bottle throw, while A.E.C. is thinking of having a coin toss.

Refreshments will also be typical of a Mardi Gras. Water Ballet is G.A.A. will be distributing ice cream bars. A.F.S. shall be quite exotic and sell foreign foods at the festival.

Rene said that the group of club representatives is just great this year Rally Committee wants to have a and is working very hard. She now similar sort of booth at the Mardi urges that the student body really soring a picture taking booth where and if this happens, she promises



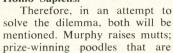
DON'T MISS!!! . . . 'Cause you just might not win a prize. So says Bob Lockey as he watches Rene Roloff getting into the spirit of the fabulous Mardi Gras by trying to knock a bottle off the head of Julie

HER

#### **Judy Raises Prize** Poodles for Show

you is our Her for this issue, Judy Murphy. The picture, of course, is not a contemporary one. Originally the photo included a dog and we toyed with the idea of letting you guess which was the mutt and which was Murphy.

But a little man with a big bug-net got the dog, leaving us with Murphy. This is a pickle, for this article would be much more interesting if it were about Canis familiaris, the most noble creature on earth, instead of lowly Homo Sapiens.



the talk of dogdom. They have won ribbons at the Westminster dog show at Madison Square Garden in New York. There are five of the beasts now: Oscar, Mollie, Donny, Tina, and Gigi. Sounds like a bunch of socialites, you know, the ones that drink Pepsi.

Judy laments that she cannot accompany the dogs back East. The Big Show takes place during the school year when she is shackled to the wall of the Acalanes

Apparently an animal advocate, Judy also owns a couple of horses, which she rides often. She can no doubt achieve a horribly pleasant state when she climbs aboard them, for she can go blissfully off into the sunset, forgetting completely about the atrocities in room 208.

Her post-Acalanes plans include the University of Oregon, where she will take a pre-medical course of study in order to be-you guessed it-a veterinarian.

. go into a fortune teller to have your palm read expecting it to cost a dollar, and then find out, after all is told, that five dollars is the charge? Well Diane, was it worth it?

. guess that F.S. could go from Lafayette to T.J.'s house without knowing how he got there? Swinging party maybe!!

#### **Editors at Large**

# Clean-up??!!

By HENRY COUDEN

In good Acalanes tradition the clean-up campaign has failed. The question of the day is just why we keep losing. A careful study by the Blueprint research department reveals that Las Lomas is trying a might bit harder than we are. Here is an exclusive interview between L. L. Knight of Las Lomas, and A. Don of Acalanes.

Question: "What driving incentive do you have for cleaning up your

L. L. Knight: "If we win the clean-up campaign two weeks in a row, school is let out one-half hour earlier.'

A. Don: "Incentive? Let me see, there must be one. But who cares, we are going to lose anyway."

Question: "What publicity has been given to the campaign?"

L. L. Knight: "A poster campaign has been started reminding us to keep our campus clean, and the possible prize we can achieve.

A. Don: "Well, each Monday we learn that we have lost. The posters they put up don't seem to stick to the wall - I haven't seen any." Question: "How has the campaign been enforced?"

L. L. Knight: "If anyone is caught throwing papers on the ground he is asked to pick them up. If he doesn't the guilty student is reported to our Student Control committee. It has the power to impose a punishment.'

#### FEATURE KEEPER

### Rose Concocts All Our Irrisistible, Yummy Food

If you are in the mood for something yummy that will compliment your stomach in the most delightful way, contact Rose Magnesi, the head of the cafeteria and snack bar.

Along with an extremely talented cook, Veda Erickson, Mrs. Magnesi turns out meals that have irresistibly tantalized Acalanes students from the beginning of the year.



Grandma's kitchen could not have been more tempting or friendly than our cafeteria after Rose took over. Spaghetti has captured the appetites of our stu-

dents. Meat loaf, hamburgers, hot dogs and gravy are second in line on the preference list according to Rose. Casualties have been few in the kitchen but when

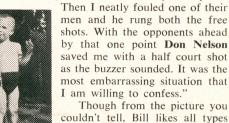
one came along it was a good one. When San Ramon and Las Lomas students came to visit us Rose made a terrific dish but was so rushed that she forgot to serve it.

The jolly kitchen may be left someday in the future when Mrs. Magnesi's desire to visit Europe is fulfilled.

#### HIM

## **Bill Admits Guilt** For 'Neatly' Fouling

"I agree with Mel about old 'Pot Belly,' but even so, he might make a good father some day," ventured our Him, Bill Albert, a varsity basketball player. "With twelve seconds remaining in the game against El Camino at Redding, we were ahead by one point.



couldn't tell, Bill likes all types of sports, hamburgers, spearmint gum and the school secretary. Next summer he hopes to be

working before starting off in college at J.C. which he plans to follow up with either San Francisco State, College of Pacific, or University of California. He will probably go into business administration.

Bill has been a member of "B" and varsity basketball, track, and Student Council and is active in Young Life. As far as his success at Acalanes, he has "no comments about Algebra II."

One last idea he contributed, "I think Acalanes ought to get more teachers like Miss Root!"

#### Don Doin's

April 8 — Junior Extra — 8:30 to 11:30 Swimming with Berkeley here — 3:30. J. V. Baseball with San Ramon here -3:45.

April 11-15 — Easter Vacation.

April 18 — J. V. Tennis at Pleasant Hill — 3:45. Golf at Piedmont — 3:45.

April 19 — Foreign Exchange Assembly. Baseball with Miramonte here — 3:45.

Tennis with Miramonte here — 3:45. April 20 — Tennis with Sequoia at Redwood City **— 3:45.** 

April 21 — Student Council — 5th period.

Track — El Cerrito. April 22 — All Club Carnival (Mardi Gras) Panel on Contractors — 2nd period.

J. V. Baseball at Las Lomas — 3:45. Swimming at Miramonte — 3:45.

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HEAP OF THE WEEK

# AL FARLEY, FRIEND

we do. The proud owners are Al Farley and Mike Freeman, an Oak-

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lebrity in Senior Parking Lot? Yeah ley College.

an old '48 Plymouth De Luxe Coupe as a joint project. At the time of the purchase, the Plymouth had a stock 56 Corvette with 32's.

house, than the engine was out. The body was completely sanitized and the engine compartment given six coats of white lacquer. Al then started on the stock Corvette engine. Cubic inches stayed stock — 265 cubic

A Clay-Smith cam was installed, and a Webber 11-inch clutch and 12-pound flywheel. The engine was completely balanced.

At the drags Mike and Al won a Scintillo Vertex magneto, but on the street, a Corvette ignition suffices.

Feeding this bear is accomplished

It seems that about three weeks ago, Al and Mike made it to the Drags at Fremont. They raced three times with a top speed of 98 m. p. h. and an et. of 14.02 seconds. It seems that they even came home with the "C Gas" trophy, also congratulations.

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INVENTIVE MINDS EXCEL

### John Max Represents Acalanes

By SHEILA HORTON

Acalanes has been represented at the Science Fair this year! John Max, who worked night and day to prepare this project for this affair, won fourth in the Senior Physical Science Section at the fair.

His problem, in essence, was to design an efficient solar cell. Before designing this cell he had to prepare a very pure Bismuth Telluride. This involved building equipment for specialized refining and for crystal growth. This is an outstanding project and presents an enormous amount of work in physical science.

Through the use of gas chromotography, Roger Hartman hopes to determine the changes brought about in petroleum ether when subjected to high voltage discharge. As of now he has encountered no insurmountable problems.

Barbara Wiseman is working with bacteria and testing newer anti-biotics for effectiveness.

Steve Holland has embarked upon the world of television. He is attempting to invent a television screen which will hang on the wall similar to a picture.

Rats have been put to the test by Dale Freeman. He proposes to find the effects of a high altitude on the metabolism of rats.

Roy Rocca is attempting to construct a phosphorous light using a plant leaves. magnesium oxide cold cathode that will emit electrons as they are struck with a piece of phosphor.

Carolyn Jones is upsetting the balance in nature! She is placing female guppies in male hormones and then observing the pigmentation changes in the guppies.

Lorin Peters hopes we understand his project by this simple explanation: "I am working on the measurement of E/M." (Good luck)

Radishes are signifiaent in scientific research. Mary Clapp is making observations on the effects of gibbrellic acid on the growth rate of

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Christie Suczek is observing the



SOMETHING FOR NOTHING! John Max has won fourth place at the Science Fair in San Francisco. He entered the Senior Physical Science section. In his exhibition, he displayed the use of a Solar Cell with an electric train. The Solar Cell was a conversion of Solar Energy into electrical energy. John's entry was the sum total of months of hard work. He chose this particular project because he liked the idea of getting "something for nothing."

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Science Research provides an opportunity for students interested in Thornton Smith is studying the science to work independently on ineffects of X-radiation on the regen- vestigations of their own choice.

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By "PED" and "LAMP"

On Tuesday, March 29, the Acalanes Block "A" Society held its annual lettermen's banquet for the basketball and wrestling teams. As always, it was a father-and-son affair with a turn-out of 120.

Dan Glines presented letters to the Varsity basketballers and told a story about the trip to Redding and the girls with whom the players stayed. We won't go into that.

This was followed by Erwin Mattson, wrestling coach, who presented awards to his championship wrestling squad and then by Bert Barnett, who gave awards to the Bee squad.

During this time special awards were given to the following boys:

Paul Colin, most valuable basketball player; Denny Toll, second place in the state wrestling meet; Jim Holden, most courageous wrestler; and Jerry MacPherson, most valuable wrestler. All in all is was a very fine evening.

Spring sports are off to a fair start and look as though they might end up like we predicted them in the March 4 issue. The track team is off to a good start in league competition, as it trounced Miramonte and Las Lomas in a three-way meet. As things are, Piedmont is the team to beat.

In baseball, the Dons were upset by Miramonte in their league opener and will have to beat thm the second time around if they want to win the championship.

The tennis team is tied with Miramonte and will have to beat them to cinch their so-called "mythical"

The Don Golfers were upset by Las Lomas but seem to be doing all right otherwise as they beat Miramonte and San Ramon. They should ramonte the previous week. be able to beat Las Lomas next time.

The swimmers are having a tough go so far and look as if they will have to struggle for second place in the league with Miramonte.

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GET THE LEAD OUT, LOU! Lou Pejovich digs for first in the Las Lomas game on March 31. The Dons won the game by a score

#### **Dons Box** Las Lomas

Taking each game in stride, the Acalanes Dons baseball team conthe Knights of Las Lomas by the score of 3-1. The Dons, as of this game, have a one and one record in league standings, after losing to Mi-

Acalanes, starting out strong, seemed to push the game all the way through, as they outhit and outfielded the Knight nine. In the second inning the Don Varsity began its attack by scoring three rapid runs. Lou Pejovich started the rally by smashing one of his two singles for the day. Lou Cosso then followed Steve Boyd (SR), 5 and 3. During the reached first on an error, scoring Pejovich, and Stew Fox followed with a two-run single. The Knights came through with their single run also in the second inning.

Denny Toll and Tom Strain combined to limit the Knights to one run over a period of seven innings

## Don Varsity Stomps P.H.

In their sixth pre-season game, the Acalanes Dons baseball team rallied to outlast Pleasant Hill and downed the Rams 6-5. This Don victory was the sixth straight over the hapless Rams in as many years.

Third inning play proved to be the turning point, as the Acalanes attack got under way. Tom Strain led off with a single. Don Nelson was then walked, forcing Strain to second. John Paul Jones reached first on a fielder's choice, retiring Strain. Lou Pejovich smashed a single, driving in Nelson and Jones. The Rams scored one in their half of the inning, and the score stood at 2-1.

Acalanes picked up another run in the fourth, three more in the fifth, and looked as if it was running off with the game. However, the Rams struck back in their half of the fifth with four fast tallies.

The Dons lead was insuperable, though, as the Rams went down in

#### **Don Golfsters Out-Maneuver** S.R. Wolves

On Monday, April 4, the Acatinued in its winning ways, downing lanes golf team defeated the San Ramon golf squad 4-2. The match was played on the tricky Diablo Country Club course. The victory moved the Don divotmen into second place in the Foothill Division standings. Following are the results of the matches

Steve Lamphere defeated Bruce Gibbs (SR), 1 up; Bill MacKay (A) defeated Stu White (SR), 2 and 1; Pete Dozier (SR) defeated Jay Buffa (A), 3 and 2; Tim White (SR) defeated Gary Childs (A), 1 up; Randy Fry (A) defeated Josh Owsley (SR), 1 up; and John Holman (A) defeated with another single. Jim Holden match Gary Childs had a hole-in-one on the third hole. Steve Lamphere and Bill MacKay tied for medalist honors with 39's.

> In a match played on March 25, the Don golfers tied the University of California Frosh golf team 3-3 at the Orinda Country Club. Lamphere, MacKay, and Childs won their matches to gain the tie. Lamphere and childs were low scorers for the day with a 37 and a 38 respectively.

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# Cindermen Place 3rd

Due to misfortune, Acalanes nabbed third place in the First San Ramon Relays held at San Ramon High School last Saturday. Alhambra, with a total of 321/2 points, won the meet; Piedmont was second with 30 points; while Acalanes was third with 29 5/6; San Ramon, Las Lomas and Miramonte followed in that or-

Acalanes apparently had victory within reach with one event, the 880 relay, to go. The Dons, who had the fastest time of any entrant, needed a first on a second in this event to cinch the meet, but catastrophe struck as the Dons dropped the baton, and by the time they had recovered, they were out of the race.

Acalanes won a good share of the first places. The 440 relay team of Dave Schwartz, Art Corse, Tony La-Rosa, and Chris Rinne were first in that event with a time of 45.1. The shot-put relay team (Doug Kell, Gerry Martino, Bill Pinkus, Dave Dornsife) was victorious. Dornsife's put of 50-3 was the best of the day. The Acalanes discus team was one of the major disappointments of the day. Although they were second, their throws were considerably below their best efforts.

The Don mile and two-mile relay teams had an easy time of it, both winning by large margins. The mile relay team (Bruce Dodge, Rinne, Corse, Frank Hile) was clocked in 3:34.1, while the victorious two-mile team (Bill Jencks, Tom Cooper, Bill Pedder, Steve Thomson) was clocked

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Led by Barry Parker, an extremely strong Alameda swim team edged out the Don aquamen by three points last Friday.

Parker, the fastest freestyler in Northern California took the 400yard freestyle as he lapped almost all of his opponents at least once.

Our first victory came as Bob Lockey won the 200-yard freestyle contest. Bob just won, since he was pushed all the way by an Alameda man. The only other first place of the day came as Mike Cheney copped off with the 100-yard free-

Bill Harris, our school record holder in the breast stroke, was defeated by a boy from the Hornet squad who broke our school record, also the visiting Hornets broke our school record in the backstroke.

Trailing by just two points the Donmen dropped another close one as Mike Cheney was defeated by a hair at the end of the race. Thus dropping the Dons four points behind, the amount by which they lost

Due to the darkness and inadequate facilities there was no diving accompanying this meet.

#### **SPORTS CALENDAR**

APRIL

18 - Tennis JV at P.H. 3:45

Golf at Piedmont 3:45

19 — Baseball with Miramonte here 3:45 Tennis Miramonte here 3:45

Tennis Sequoia there 3:45
Track El Cerrito there

22 — Swimming Miramonte there

3:45 J.V. Baseball at Las Lomas

23 — Martinez relays 26 — Baseball with L.L. there 3:45 Golf with Miramonte here 3:45

Tennis at L.L. 3:45

27 — Swimming San Ramon there 28 — Baseball at San Ramon 3:45

Tennis San Ramon 3:45

– J.V. Baseball Miramonte

here Swimming L. L. here 3:45 Track at Berkeley

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